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NEW MEXICO ANNUAL CROP PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Corn for grain totaled 55,000 acres in 2005, down slightly from 58,000 in 2004. Yield was down to 175 bushels an acre for a total production of 9.6 million bushels. **Corn silage** acreage totaled 84,000 acres in 2005, up from only 66,000 acres in 2004. Yield was down slightly to 24 tons an acre for a total production of 2.0 million tons. **Sorghum for grain** acreage was up to 97,000 acres. The yield averaged 45 bushels an acre, down slightly from 2004, for a total production of 4.4 million bushels. **Sorghum silage** acreage dropped 60 percent from 2004 to only 14,000 acres. Average yield was 15 tons an acre for a total production of 210,000 tons, compared to 595,000 tons in 2004. **Winter Wheat** harvested acreage totaled 270,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from last year. Yield increased to 36 bushels an acre, for a total production of 9.7 million bushels. **Alfalfa hay** harvested acreage totaled 240,000 acres, with a yield of 5.1 tons an acre for a total production of 1.2 million tons. **Other hay** harvested acreage totaled 90,000 acres. Yield held at 2.1 tons an acre for a production of 189,000 tons. **Upland cotton** acreage totaled 51,000 acres with a production of 100,000 bales. **Pima cotton** production totaled 22,000 bales from 11,500 acres. **Peanut** acreage totaled 19,000 acres with a yield of 3,300 pounds an acre, down from 3,500 pounds an acre last year. **Potato** harvested acreage dropped 800 acres to 4,200 acres in 2005. Potato yield increased to 420 hundredweight per acre. **Pinto bean** production totaled 139,000 million cwt. from 6,300 acres.

Acreage, Yield and Production, Major Crops, New Mexico 2004-2005

Crop	Unit	Area Planted ^{1/}		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
		2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
		-----1,000 Acres-----				-----Units-----		-----1,000 Units-----	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	125	140	58	55	180.0	175.0	10,440	9,625
Corn for Silage	Ton	---	---	66	84	25.0	24.0	1,650	2,016
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	140	120	92	97	46.0	45.0	4,232	4,365
Sorghum for Silage	Ton	---	---	35	14	17.0	15.0	595	210
Winter Wheat	Bu.	490	450	300	270	26.0	36.0	7,800	9,720
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	---	---	240	240	4.90	5.10	1,176	1,224
Other Hay	Ton	---	---	90	90	2.10	2.10	189	189
Upland Cotton ^{2/}	Bal.	68.0	56.0	64.0	51.0	848	941	113.0	100.0
A-P Cotton ^{2/}	Bal.	10.6	11.5	10.5	11.5	869	918	19.0	22.0
Peanuts ^{3/}	Lb.	17.0	19.0	17.0	19.0	3,500	3,300	59,500	62,700
Potatoes	Cwt.	5.2	4.7	5.0	4.2	412	420	2,060	1,764
Pinto Beans ^{4/}	Lb.	6.0	6.3	6.0	6.3	2,600	2,200	156	139
Total Above Crops ^{5/}		1191.8	1137.5	983.5	942.0	---	---	---	---

^{1/} Area planted for all purposes. ^{2/} Production in bales (480 lb net wt). Yield in pounds. ^{3/} Estimates comprised of quota and non-quota peanuts. ^{4/} Production in cwt. ^{5/} Planted total includes harvested acreage for hay crops and silage.

GRAIN STOCKS

Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 9.81 billion bushels, up 4 percent from December 1, 2004. Of the total stocks, 6.33 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.49 billion bushels, are up 5 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 3.41 billion bushels, compared with 3.31 billion bushels during the same period last year.

All wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down slightly from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 513 million bushels, down 3 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 917 million bushels, are up 2 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 494 million bushels, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Grain sorghum stored in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 289 million bushels, up 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 55.0 million bushels, are down 30 percent from December 1 last year. Off-farm stocks, at 234 million bushels, are up 15 percent from a year earlier. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance from all positions is 162 million bushels, down 21 percent from the same period in 2004.

U.S. Grain Stocks, By Position and Month 2004-2006

Date	2004			2005		
	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions
	-----1,000 Bushels-----					
	CORN					
Mar 1	3,030,000	2,241,459	5,271,459	4,137,000	2,619,334	6,756,334
Jun 1	1,540,000	1,430,140	2,970,140	2,462,300	1,858,513	4,320,813
Sep 1	438,000	520,091	958,091	820,500	1,293,472	2,113,972
Dec 1	6,144,000	3,308,488	9,452,488	6,325,000	3,487,835	9,812,835
	SORGHUM					
Mar 1	21,000	137,652	158,652	33,400	170,122	203,522
Jun 1	7,650	72,944	80,594	16,000	97,170	113,170
Sep 1	3,700	29,849	33,549	5,900	51,041	56,941
Dec 1	78,700	203,505	282,205	55,000	233,891	288,891
	ALL WHEAT					
Mar 1	257,890	762,727	1,020,617	304,710	679,681	984,391
Jun 1	131,880	414,559	546,439	161,275	378,825	540,100
Sep 1	790,600	1,147,807	1,938,407	721,360	1,201,931	1,923,291
Dec 1	531,020	899,306	1,430,326	513,000	916,531	1,429,531

1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

WINTER WHEAT SEEDINGS - 2005 CROP

NEW MEXICO: Seeded area for 2006 is expected to total 440,000 acres compared to 450,000 in 2005.

UNITED STATES: Winter wheat seeded area for 2006 is expected to total 41.4 million acres, up 2 percent from 2005.

State	Area Seeded			
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005
	-----1,000 Acres-----			-----Percent-----
CO	2,300	2,550	2,400	94
KS	10,000	10,000	10,200	102
MT	1,900	2,150	2,000	93
NE	1,850	1,850	1,750	95
NM	490	450	440	98
OK	6,200	5,700	5,800	102
SD	1,650	1,550	1,350	87
TX	6,300	5,500	5,800	105
WA	1,800	1,850	1,850	100
Other States	10,860	8,833	9,777	111
U.S.	43,350	40,433	41,367	102

1/ Updated from "Small Grains 2005 Summary" released September 30, 2005.

WEATHER SUMMARY

It was another relatively warm, dry week for most of New Mexico, with a statewide average temperature 4 degrees above normal. The far north and northeast were especially warm, with temperatures generally as much as 8-9 degrees above normal at Chama, Capulin-Des Moines, and Clayton. Precipitation was confined to the far north as a storm brushed across Colorado early in the week. Chama's total of .15 inches of moisture was the greatest amount reported.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JANUARY 9 - 15, 2006

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	01/09 01/15	01/01 01/15	Normal Jan.	01/01 01/15	Normal Jan-Jan
Farmington	33.4	56	14	0.00	0.00	0.59	0.00	0.59
Gallup	33.3	60	6	0.00	0.00	0.80	0.00	0.80
Capulin	33.1	62	-1	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40
Chama	30.2	51	7	0.15	0.33	1.77	0.33	1.77
Johnson Ranch	28.3	54	-4	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.00	0.67
Las Vegas	35.6	62	15	0.02	0.02	0.60	0.02	0.60
Los Alamos	31.9	48	16	0.00	0.00	0.86	0.00	0.86
Raton	32.5	65	2	0.06	0.06	0.47	0.06	0.47
Red River	26.4	49	-1	0.11	0.16	1.07	0.16	1.07
Santa Fe	33.3	53	13	0.00	0.00	0.63	0.00	0.63
Clayton	40.6	68	12	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.24
Clovis	44.1	70	18	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.39
Roy	38.7	65	8	0.05	0.05	0.34	0.05	0.34
Tucumcari	43.4	70	18	0.07	0.07	0.28	0.07	0.28
Grants	31.6	58	-1	0.00	0.00	0.49	0.00	0.49
Quemado	32.6	60	-3	0.00	0.00	0.83	0.00	0.83
Albuquerque	38.5	58	20	0.00	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.44
Carrizozo	35.8	63	10	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.60
Socorro	39.0	67	9	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.39
Gran Quivera	40.0	58	17	0.00	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.70
Moriarty	33.4	59	10	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.00	0.43
Ruidoso	37.6	59	7	0.00	0.00	1.12	0.00	1.12
Carlsbad	47.2	75	18	0.00	0.00	0.35	0.00	0.35
Roswell	40.6	71	13	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.00	0.43
Tatum	40.8	70	13	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.39
Alamogordo	46.8	63	25	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.00	0.67
Animas	48.1	69	22	0.00	0.00	0.68	0.00	0.68
Deming	43.0	65	17	0.00	0.00	0.56	0.00	0.56
Las Cruces	44.9	68	22	0.00	0.00	0.46	0.00	0.46
T or C	42.0	66	19	0.00	0.00	0.46	0.00	0.46

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.